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U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

CHRISTOPHER LEE AVIST,

Defendant.

Case No. 2:24-mj-00782-DJA

UNITED STATES' EX PARTE
APPLICATION TO SEAL
CRIMINAL COMPLAINT, WRIT OF
HABEAS CORPUS AD
PROSEQUENDUM, ARREST
WARRANT AND APPLICATION

The United States of America, by and through Jason M. Frierson, United States Attorney for the District of Nevada, and Courtney Strange, Assistant United States Attorney, respectfully moves this Honorable Court for an Order sealing the Complaint, Arrest Warrant, Writ of *Habeas Corpus ad Prosequendum*, applications for each, and the Court's Sealing Order in the above captioned matter until such time as this Court, or another Court of competent jurisdiction, shall order otherwise.

It is necessary to seal the complaint and the related documents in this case because they reveal information connected to ongoing investigations involving both the named defendant and confederates. Public disclosure of the information contained in the complaint may compromise ongoing investigations, risk the safety of victims and witnesses, alert

1 confederates to the existence of the investigations, and permit flight in order to avoid
2 prosecution. Further, while the named defendant is currently held at the Clark County
3 Detention Center, were he to be released prior to the service of the writ, necessitating an
4 arrest on the requested warrant, his prior knowledge of the complaint and arrest warrant
5 might pose risks to law enforcement officers executing that arrest.

6 To avoid premature exposure of ongoing investigations, protect the safety of victims
7 and witnesses, and to facilitate defendant's arrest on the requested warrant, if necessary, the
8 United States respectfully requests this Honorable Court grant the United States' motion to
9 seal the Complaint, Arrest Warrant, Writ of *Habeas Corpus ad Prosequendum*, applications for
10 each, and the Court's Sealing Order in the above captioned matter in accordance with Local
11 Rule IA 10-5 until further order of the Court.

12 Respectfully submitted this September 13, 2024.

13 JASON M. FRIERSON
14 United States Attorney

15 */s/ Courtney Strange*

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SEALING ORDER

Based on the United States' *ex parte* application, with good cause appearing therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that the Criminal Complaint, Arrest Warrant, Writ of *Habeas Corpus ad Prosequendum*, applications for each, and this Court's instant order in the above captioned matter are sealed in accordance with Local Rule IA 10-5 until further order of the Court.

IT IS SO ORDERED this September 13, 2024.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Daniel J. Albregts", written over a horizontal line.

THE HONORABLE DANIEL J. ALBREGTS
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE